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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND FEED

Section Genetically Modified Food and Feed and Environmental Risk
and

REGULATORY COMMITTEE under DIRECTIVE 2001/18/EC
14 OCTOBER 2016

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A.01 Notification of the presence of unauthorised GM oilseed rape in conventional oilseed rape – Update from Member States.

Member States presented updates on their monitoring plans and the Commission recommended that Member States continue to monitor affected plots at least until the end of 2017.

A.02 Expiry of the tolerance period for three oilseed rapes (Commission Decisions 2007/305/EC, 2007/306/EC, 2007/307/EC) – Update from the Commission.

A short discussion on the possible extension of the threshold tolerance period for three obsolete oilseed rapes was held.

A.03 Detection of unauthorised GM wheat in Washington State, USA – Update from the Commission.

The Commission provided an update on this issue and on the ongoing work by the EURL-GMFF for the verification of the detection method for this GM wheat event and will keep Member States informed at one of the upcoming meetings.

A.04 RASFF notifications on GM food and feed – Update from the Commission and the Member States.

The Commission provided an overview of the RASFF notifications it has received in 2016.

C.01 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation renewing the authorisation for the placing on the market for

cultivation of genetically modified maize MON 810 (MON-ØØ81Ø-6) seeds - exchange of views.

C.02 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision concerning the placing on the market for cultivation of genetically modified maize 1507 (DAS-Ø15Ø7-1) seeds –exchange of views.

C.03 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Decision concerning the placing on the market for cultivation of genetically modified maize Bt11 (SYN-BTØ11-1) seedsSANTE_10703_2016 - exchange of views.

Common for points C.01, C.02 and C.03

A thorough discussion of the draft texts submitted to the Committee in July 2016 took place covering all legal and technical aspects, including the comments submitted by Member States.

The Commission explained that the proposed risk management measures in the draft proposals as tabled in July are scientifically based, coherent and proportionate and invited Member States to submit additional scientific explanations supporting their positions.

In concluding the discussion, the Commission informed the Member States that following the discussions in both Standing Committee meetings of July and October and possible additional comments that Member States may submit, the revised drafts would be adapted where justified and submitted to the Committee for a vote as early as possible.

M.01 Update of the Annexes 2 and 3 of Directive 2001/18 – State of play.

The Commission provided an update on the state of play concerning the revision of the Annexes of Directive 2001/18/EC.

M.02 Update on meeting with industry on sequencing.

The Commission informed Member States of the outcome of the meeting held with applicants to agree and implement the verification of the quality of the sequencing data in line with the JRC EURL updated guidelines for the submission of DNA sequences.

M.03 Sequence verification GM carnation line 27531.

The Commission informed Member States of the sequence verification and subsequent mandate to EFSA on GM carnation line 27531.

M.04 59122 maize and 40-3-2 soybean sequencing incidents and mandates to EFSA.

The Commission informed Member States of the sequencing reporting inaccuracies for the 59122 maize and the 40-3-2 soybean and the follow up actions with JRC and EFSA.

M.05 New Breeding Techniques – state of play.

The Commission provided an update on the state of play on NBTs.

M.06 Russian registration of feeds produced from GMOs.

The recent correspondence of the Russian Federation authorities with some Member States and with the Commission on the Russian requirements for the registration of feed produced from GMOs were discussed.

M.07 Implementation of the zero tolerance in GM seed testing.

At the request of a Member State, the Commission provided clarification on the implementation of the zero tolerance in GM seed testing.